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FINAL EXAM

TRIMESTER 1, 2017/2018 SESSION

UHL2612 – HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

(All Sections / Groups)

28 OCTOBER 2017
Reading Time : 2.30PM – 2.45PM
(15 Minutes)
Answering Time : 2.45PM – 5.45PM
(3 Hours)

INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENT

1. Students will have **fifteen minutes** during which they may read the paper and make rough notes ONLY in their question paper. Students then have the remaining **THREE HOURS** in which to answer the questions.

2. This Question paper consists of 2 pages with 5 Questions only. Answer **ALL** questions in **PART A** and **ONE (1)** question in **PART B**.

3. Attempt **FOUR** out of FIVE questions. All questions carry equal marks and the distribution of the marks for each question is given.

4. Students are not allowed to bring in any statute into the Examination Hall.

5. Please write all your answers in the Answer Booklet provided.

PART A

QUESTION 1

The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) is an international treaty that spells out women's rights. The Malaysian government ratified CEDAW in 1995.

Analyse women's rights as human rights under CEDAW and its implementation in Malaysia.

(25 Marks)

QUESTION 2

The development of children's rights as human rights is considered to be relatively new. The Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) was adopted in 1989.

Critically evaluate the constrains involved in the implementation of children's rights in Malaysia.

(25 Marks)

QUESTION 3

The rights of minorities and indigenous is widely recognized in the international fora as human rights. Indigenous peoples are entitled to enjoy all the rights which international human rights law guarantees including certain special rights.

Compare and contrast the level of protection afforded under international law with the Malaysian standard for Orang Asli.

(25 Marks)

PART B

QUESTION 4

"The aggressor…retaliates by the most frightful cruelties. As his armies advance, whole districts are being exterminated. Scores of thousands – literally scores of thousands – of executions in cold blood are being perpetrated by the German police – troops up on the Russian patriot who defend the native soil. Since the Mongol invasions of Europe in the 16th Century, there has never been methodical, merciless butchery on such a scale, or approaching such a scale. And this is but the beginning. Famine and pestilence have yet to follow in the bloody ruts of Hitler's tanks. We are in the presence of a crime without a name." (Winston Churchill, 1941)

Explain the concept, the relevant treaties, and the elements of genocide. Illustrate your answer with the examples of genocide from the 20th Century.

(25 Marks)

QUESTION 5

Human trafficking is a modern form of slavery. Under the Article 4 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, "No one shall be held in slavery or servitude; slavery and the slave trade shall be prohibited in all their forms."

(i) Explain the concept of slavery under international human rights.

(10 Marks)

(ii) Discuss the issues of modern day slavery.

(15 Marks)

(Total: 25 Marks)

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